

LOCAL PTA ACTIVITIES

Meadow Park

Meadow Park PTA executive board held its November meeting at the school. The meeting was called to order at 7:40 by the president, Mrs. J. T. Anagnost. A report by the ways and means chairman, Mrs. D. H. Silbaugh, was given—that the paper drive is under way. Mrs. D. H. Silbaugh also handed in her resignation.

Mrs. A. W. Westerlin reported that the programs should be out next week. She also stated that the programs for the year will give the information of different offices.

Mrs. R. R. Bardick, safety chairman, reported that the bids for construction of the signal at 230th St. are out and the work should begin about Christmas. Also the grading and filling of the drain at 230th St. is completed and ready for paving to begin. Mrs. R. R. Bardick is also working on plans for a "on-the-school-grounds" safety program.

Mrs. F. E. Tuttle, hospital-ity chairman, extends to all the new people of the school an invitation to attend the next PTA meeting.

Carl Steele

Carl Steele PTA meeting of Nov. 8 was held at 1:30 in the school cafeteria. Mrs. L. L. Spedale led the flag salute and offered an inspirational message. Mrs. A. D. Hawkins introduced Mrs. Barbara Anderson's eighth grade class who presented to the association their version of the contrast in the old folk dances to modern pop. A Thanksgiving skit on "What Thanksgiving Means to Us" was presented by Mr. William Holt's eighth grade pupils. Mr. R. K. Petrat, principal, read a memo from Safety Chairman John Baker concerning safety problems.

Mr. Petrat then introduced Sgt. Miles from the Torrance Police Department who gave some pointers on how to control safety problems of picking up children at school. He stressed the importance of not parking in the crosswalk and not letting children dash across the street to get in the car.

R. W. Cosby, director of operations for the Torrance Unified School District, talked to the association about the school bus situation. Mrs. D. K. Crockett read the ways and means committee report and it was approved by the association. All the Steele School PTA members are reminded of the canned food drive for needy families. The canned goods are to be brought to the Christmas PTA meeting Thursday, Dec. 13, at 7:30 p.m.

186th Street

Members of the faculty of the 186th Street School were hosts to the PTA at the November meeting held in the school auditorium on Thursday evening, Nov. 8. Miss Joann McCollough, second grade teacher, sang the inspirational message, "You Never Walk Alone."

Committee reports were given by the membership chairman, Mrs. F. C. Beech; school education chairman, Mrs. James H. Ellis; ways and means chairman, Mrs. Frank Daddi; and faculty representative, Miss Evelyn Buckley. Mrs. Hugh Allen, honorary life membership chairman, asked that members be thinking of a possible recipient and bring suggestions back to the December meeting. There will be a suggestion box at that time for all names suggested.

A communication from the school playground asked that the PTA publicize the fact that the school playground is open every day after 3:00 p.m. Supervised play under a well trained, faculty member is available to all children at that time. A recommendation of the executive board to have a Christmas treat for the school was adopted.

A panel of faculty members led by Mr. Edward Reynolds, discussed "Discipline in Our Schools." Panel members were Mrs. Dorothy Saunders, Mr. Richard Evans and Mrs. Evaline Gill. To close the meeting a chorus of faculty members under the direction of Mr. Robert Graham sang an old Dutch melody, A Prayer of Thanksgiving. At the school hour that followed, Mr. Herman Eisenbeiss was named Mr. PTA and Mrs. W. A. S. Douglas was Mrs. PTA.

Walteria

Menace of the narcotics traffic to youth was explained by Juvenile Officer Leo Gonzalez of the Torrance Police Dept. at the November membership meeting of the Walteria School PTA.

He used charts to help his explanation of how dope peddlers introduce the insidious habit to "insecure" youngsters, who soon turn to crime to finance their craving for drugs.

It was reported that the unit's Halloween carnival netted \$972 and that a membership drive resulted in enrollment of 651 parents and teachers. The group voted to donate \$25 to a special service of the Torrance Dental Health Assn.

Crossing Guard R. G. Swan explained special precautions for pedestrians in traversing the intersection of Pacific Coast Hwy. and Hawthorne Ave., used by many students at the school.

A square dancing demonstration was presented by fourth, fifth and sixth graders of Ronald White's class and the flag salute was led by Cub Scouts from Den 5, Pack 240.

Mrs. Henry Fink, president, was in charge of the evening gathering in the school auditorium and first grade room mothers were hostesses.

Next general meeting is slated for 2 p.m., Dec. 13, at the school.

Gateway

Mrs. D. G. Cheek, president of Narbonne High PTA, was hostess in her home at 1634 W. 257th St., Harbor City, for the first meeting of the fall season of the local presidents of Gateway Council.

A special item of business was the report of Milk Bowl football game ticket sales. The amount of \$207.55 was turned in with Gardena High once more being tops in sales. They sold 71 adult tickets and 55 student tickets. This money goes to the Tenth District milk and lunch program for undernourished children.

Presidents attending were: Mmes. Arnold Reiman, Peter A. Brutti, Robert Straghan, D. G. Cheek, A. J. Standley, Thurman Raig, L. R. Park and A. C. Akerson.

The next meeting of the group will be held on Monday morning, Nov. 16, at 10 in the home of Mrs. Standley, 15308 Haas Ave., Gardena.

RUMMAGE SALE
Hi-Toppers will stage a rummage sale at the YWCA on Dec. 1 beginning at 10 a.m. There will be a collection of clothes, toys, jewelry and miscellaneous which will make appropriate Christmas gifts.

BETSY ROSS
Betsy Ross club will meet Tuesday, Nov. 20, at the Torrance Masonic Temple, 2336 Cabrillo Ave. Luncheon will be served at noon by the 1956 officers. After a business session, the club will elect new officers for the coming year.



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State Prexy Will Visit Auxiliary

Mrs. Paul D. Yates, president of the auxiliary to the Bay Harbor Osteopathic Society, announced the forthcoming visit of the president of the auxiliary to the California Osteopathic Assn., Mrs. Claire Pike, Long Beach. The announcement was made when the Bay Harbor members met for their November dinner and business meeting at Iron's Cottage, Redondo Beach.

Plans were made for a tea honoring the new president of the auxiliary to the American Osteopathic Assn. Mrs. Henry L. McDowell, of Long Beach. The date of the tea to be held in the home of Mrs. Arthur D. Pedersen, Rolling Hills, will be announced later.

Members of the auxiliary pledged their support to the 26th Annual Osteopathic Foundation's Christmas Seal program, and will make these seals available to their friends so that those wishing to support the Osteopathic Foundation in its research and student loan fund may do so.

Auxiliary Plans Ball

The first viewing of the fabulous table centerpieces to be used at the Christmas Tree Ball will take place at the home of Mrs. Norman E. Fisher, 3680 Fairway Blvd., Nov. 27 from 10 to 12 a.m., when the members of the Daniel Freeman Memorial Hospital Auxiliary join with the ball committee to honor the table hostesses of the forthcoming Yuletide party. All proceeds of this, the fifth annual ball sponsored by the auxiliary, will go to the hospital building fund.

Mrs. Fisher, chairman and hostess for the "Holiday Coffee," is assisted by Mrs. Paul E. Stember, co-chairman, Mrs. Eugene J. Pratte, Mrs. Saul Hieser, and Mrs. David Brobeck.

Presiding at the coffee urns will be Mrs. Frank A. Hart, auxiliary president; Mrs. George Arnold, ball chairman; Mrs. B. Joseph Ossola and Mrs. Howard L. Holtzendorff, both past presidents.

Mr. Pi; Thayne Connel, Donald Doore, Fred Dostal, David Elzey, Richard Griffin, Donald Hake, James Stamatidis, and Miss Rose Mary Andrews of Pi Phi; Mmes. Bernard Brown; Ray Fox, Angus Mitchell, Jay Sanborn, Mary Williams and Miss Maureen McCormick of Rho Xi.

Beta Sigma Phi Council Jewels Banquet Nov. 26

South Bay Area Council of Beta Sigma Phi will hold its first formal Pledge Ritual and Ritual of Jewels banquet at the restaurant, 1437 Centinela, Inglewood on Nov. 26. Decorations and programs will carry out the theme "Sailing with South Bay Beta Sigma Phi." Approximately one hundred Beta Sigma Phis in the South Bay Area will attend.

Mrs. William Swisher, chairman, is being assisted by Mmes. William Condit, vice president of South Bay Area Lambda Eta chapter; Don Heaney, vice president of Torrance Omicron Pi chapter; Bill Garrison, vice president of Manhattan Beach Pi Phi chapter; Lester Mayfield, vice president of Lawndale Rho Xi chapter; and Joan Davis of Torrance Theta Nu chapter. Mrs. Swisher is vice president of the Council and a member of Torrance Omicron chapter.

Dr. Margarette W. Walker, director of the Southern California Council, will be the guest speaker. The invocation will be given by Mrs. William Schroeder, advisor of the South Bay Area Council and a member of Xi Alpha Mu, Compton.

Mrs. B. J. Garrison, president, will read the ritual of jewels for Mmes. James Wright of Lambda Eta; Joe Nelson, Dean Woodward, Jim Fernandez, and George Hurley of Omicron Pi; Richard Houston, Donald Moore, and John Kestle of Rho Xi; and Hugh Baker, Stan Piazza, and Willard Specht of Theta Nu.

Mrs. Garrison will read the pledge ritual for Mmes Robert Pursell of Lambda Eta; Harley Lynch, Harry Martin, Walt Templin, and Fred Byk of Omicron Pi.



MAKING ARRANGEMENTS... for the banquet to be given by the South Bay Area Council of Beta Sigma Phi at an Inglewood restaurant are (left) Mrs. B. J. Garrison, vice-president of the Pi Phi chapter of Manhattan Beach, and Mrs. William Swisher of Torrance, chairman for the banquet and vice-president of the Council. Mrs. Swisher is a member of the Omicron Pi chapter. The pledge ritual and the Ritual of Jewels will be solemnized.



THEIR-BOSSSES, TOO... will be honored along with city and county officials tomorrow evening at a local restaurant when the Business and Professional Women stage their annual "Public Affairs" dinner. Working out details for this important event on the club calendar are committee members, from left, Lillian Curtis, Bernice

Public Officials, Bosses To Be Honored By B&PW

Torrance Business and Professional Club will stage its annual public affairs dinner next Monday evening, Nov. 19, at a local restaurant at 7:30 p.m.

Guest speaker will be Burton W. Chace, Fourth District supervisor, and guest of honor will be members of the Torrance City Council. Also numbered among honor guests will be Cecil King and Vincent Thomas.

PEO Members Are Invited

Mrs. James W. Brittain, Jr. of Manhattan Beach will entertain a group of unaffiliated PEO's at a dessert luncheon in her home Tuesday, Nov. 20 at 12:30 p.m.

This group has been meeting regularly in order to form a new day chapter. Members of PEO in the South Bay area who are interested in joining this new group are invited to contact any of the following: Mrs. C. E. Severson, 20942 Brighton, Torrance; Mrs. James Elliott, 1509 Via Lazo, Palos Verdes Estates; or Mrs. James Brittain, Jr., 628 29th St., Manhattan Beach.

Party Fetes Susan Allen

The third birthday of Susan Lea Allen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Allen, 2443 Border Ave., was the incentive for a delightful party at the Allen home on Nov. 10.

Susan and her neighborhood playmates were taken to Kidland where they enjoyed all the rides.

They then returned home, where a beautiful pink and white birthday cake was served with strawberry ice cream and pink punch. Mickey Mouse decorations were used extensively.

Susan's little guests were: Judy Goff, Mary Ellen Jack, Colette Landerville, Polly Nelson, Denise Landerville, Marie Kastner, Gwen Nelson, Patsy Landerville, Carolyn Hussey, Suzanne Minnis and Trudy Bolen.

Arriving later to continue the celebration were Susan's godparents, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Homolka and Joseph Sattel, and her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Irvin E. Allen and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Homolka.

Garden Club Members at District Meet

Torrance was well represented at the district meeting and flower show held in San Pedro, Thursday. In competition, the local club entered a table centerpiece.

Mrs. Victor Benstead entered the invitational division. Her entry was all foliage. Mrs. John Thuss entered a bare branch with flower insets and Mrs. Parke Montague entered an oriental arrangement.

Torrance women making reservations for the luncheon and all day meeting were: Mmes. A. C. Turner, Minot Rugg, Victor Benstead, Parke Montague, R. V. Russell, H. C. Sandberg, Sylvia Hunter, John Thuss and Jack Warnock.

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